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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Mukouyama et al. Art Unit: 1651  
Application No.: 09/408,142 Examiner: Marx, I.  
Filed: September 29, 1999  
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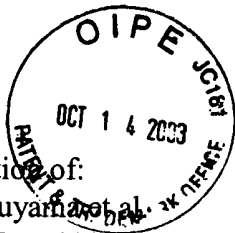
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